Non applicability of ID Act to SBC, Visakhapatnam

964. SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN:
SHRI MOHAMMED AMIN:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ship Building Centre, Visakhapatnam has been exempted from applicability of Industrial Dispute Act, 1947 by the Labour Ministry;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the present system of dispute settlement?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Ship Building Centre (SBC), Visakhapatnam has been exempted from the applicability of the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947 by the Ministry of Labour & Employment because of the sensitive and strategic nature of work being undertaking by SBC and since adequate provisions exist for the investigation and settlement of industrial disputes.

Ministry of Labour & Employment exempted the Ship Building Centre, Visakhapatnam, an Advanced Technology Vessel Programme of the Ministry of Defence, Department of Defence Research and Development from the provisions of the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947 *vide* Notification S.O. No. 20 (E) dated 3.1.2003 by exercising the powers vested with Government of India *vide* Section 36-B of the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947 subject to the conditions that the labour laws, namely, the Payment of Wages Act, 1936 and the Contract Labour (Regulation & Abolition) Act, 1970 shall be strictly complied with for contract labour and other non-regular workers and that the Assistant Labour Commissioner (Central), Visakhapatnam shall visit the Centre/work place from time to time for monitoring the efficacy of in-build grievances investigation/settlement machinery.

(c) The employees of Ship Building Centre are covered under CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 and have an alternative grievance redressal machinery in the form of Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT). Besides, there also exists a three tier Joint Consultative Machinery (JCM) through Group Committee, Yard Committee and Apex Committee with nominated/elected members from the management and staff and discuss all relevant issues pertaining to workers problems and welfare.

Social safety net to children and their families

965. SHRI TARTNIKANTAROY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is going to provide social safety net to children and their families to enforce prevention of child labour in the domestic and related sector; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES): (a) and (b) For the rehabilitation of child labour, Government is implementing the National Child Labour Project (NCLP) Scheme in 250 districts of 20 States of the country since 1988. Under the scheme, the children withdrawn from work are put in special schooIs where they are provided education, vocational training, nutrition, stipend and regular health check-up so as to prepare them to join the mainstream education